

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A silicon-on-insulator (SOI) wafer comprising:
 a first semiconductor wafer including an isolation insulating film formed to define
 an active region;
 a well region and a buried layer formed in the active region of the first
 semiconductor wafer; and
10 a second semiconductor wafer bonded with the first semiconductor wafer,
 wherein an SOI insulating film, which contacts a lower portion of the isolation insulating
 film and electrically insulates a lower portion of the active region, is formed.
2. The SOI wafer of claim 1, wherein the isolation insulating film is a
15 trench-shaped silicon oxide film.
3. The SOI wafer of claim 1, wherein the well region and the buried layer
 form
 an NMOS region and a PMOS region, respectively.
20 4. The SOI wafer of claim 3, wherein a P-well is formed in the NMOS
 region, and an N-well is formed in the PMOS region.
5. The SOI wafer of claim 1, wherein the SOI insulating film is a silicon
25 oxide film.
6. The SOI wafer of claim 1, wherein the first semiconductor wafer provides
 the active region, and wherein the second semiconductor wafer comprises a support
 wafer that supports the first semiconductor wafer.

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7. A method of manufacturing an SOI wafer, the method comprising:

a) forming an isolation insulating film on a front face of a first semiconductor wafer to define an active region and forming a bonding insulating film on a front face of a second semiconductor wafer;

5 b) performing an ion implantation process so as to form a P-well and an N-well in the active region;

c) pre-bonding the respective front faces of the first semiconductor wafer and the second semiconductor wafer;

10 d) heating the bonded first and second semiconductor wafers at a predetermined temperature to completely bond the first and second semiconductor wafers with each other; and

e) polishing a back face of the first semiconductor wafer to a bottom level of the isolation insulating film.

15 8. The method of claim 7, wherein step a) comprises:

forming a mask insulating film on the surface of the first semiconductor wafer;

forming an isolation trench on the mask insulating film and the first semiconductor wafer;

forming a trench fill insulating film so as to bury the isolation trench; and

20 planarizing the trench fill insulating film to a level of the mask insulating film using a planarization process.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein the mask insulating film includes a silicon oxide film.

25 10. The method of claim 9, wherein the mask insulating film further includes a silicon nitride film.

30 11. The method of claim 8, wherein the trench fill insulating film is a silicon oxide film.

12. The method of claim 8, wherein chemical mechanical polishing (CMP) is used in the planarization process.

13. The method of claim 7, wherein in step a), the bonding insulating film is a silicon oxide film.

14. The method of claim 13, wherein the bonding insulating film is formed by thermally oxidizing the substrate silicon of the second semiconductor wafer.

15. The method of claim 7, wherein step b) comprises:
forming a photoresist having a pattern with which a region in which an N-well is to be formed is opened, on the first semiconductor wafer;
implanting N-type impurities in the substrate silicon of the first semiconductor wafer using ion implantation and using the patterned photoresist as a mask; and
removing the photoresist.

16. The method of claim 8, wherein step b) comprises:
forming a photoresist having a pattern with which a region in which a P-well is to be formed is opened, on the first semiconductor wafer;
implanting P-type impurities in the substrate silicon of the first semiconductor wafer using ion implantation and using the patterned photoresist as a mask; and
removing the photoresist.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein the N-type impurities are 5-valence electron ions, including phosphorus (P), arsenic (As), and antimony (Sb).

18. The method of claim 16, wherein the P-type impurities are 3-valence electron ions, including boron (B) and BF_2 .

19. The method of claim 7, wherein step c) comprises:
arranging the first and second semiconductor wafers so that their respective front faces
are adjacent each other; and

5 vertically applying a force to a back face of a bonded surface of the first and
second semiconductor wafers.

20. The method of claim 19, wherein step c) further comprises absorbing
certain H₂O vapor into the surfaces at which the first and second semiconductor wafers
10 are bonded with each other.

21. The method of claim 7, wherein step d) is performed at a temperature
higher than a temperature at which ions implanted in the N-well and the P-well form a
well.

15 22. The method of claim 7, wherein step e) comprises:
preparing a back face of the first semiconductor wafer to be a polishing
face; and
polishing substrate silicon on the back face of the first semiconductor wafer
20 using a polishing process.

23. The method of claim 22, wherein polishing the substrate silicon
comprises grinding the back face of the first semiconductor wafer using a grinder.

25 24. The method of claim 22, wherein chemical mechanical polishing
(CMP) is used as the polishing process.

25. The method of claim 24, wherein in the polishing process, the isolation
insulating film is used as a polishing stopper.

26. The method of claim 7, after step e), further comprising forming a protection insulating film on a top surface of a semiconductor substrate.

5 27. The method of claim 26, wherein the protection insulating film is a silicon oxide film.